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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND RESPONSE

This is a response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004 having a six-month statutory period for reply set to expire on October 7, 2004. Applicant submits the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Also submitted with this amendment is a Request for Three-Month Extension of Time to extend the period of reply to October 7, 2004. A check for the appropriate fee is enclosed. Enclosed also is an executed Power of Attorney for the undersigned to prosecute this application. A previous Power was submitted by facsimile on June 1, 2004. Applicant believes this amendment places the application in better condition for allowance. Applicant is submitting a listing of claims that starts on page 2 of this response. The listing is provided to clarify the status of the claims. No amendments are being made. Applicant's Remarks start on page 14 of this response.